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## **DETAILED ACTION**

#### Examiner's Amendment

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Nhat Phan on January 11, 2007.

#### IN THE DRAWINGS:

• Substitute the corrected Figure 6, attached hereto, for the Figure 6 that was submitted September 6, 2006.

## Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 18 and 19 are allowed for reasons of record.

# Examiner's hours, phone & fax numbers

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Leigh Maier whose telephone number is (571) 272-0656. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday 7:00 to 3:30 (ET).

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